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storing the information into the centralized database;

cross-referencing the information received;

updating the centralized database based on the information received;

modifying inspection requirements based on inspection result information;

determining next required inspection of each plant component; and

providing information in response to an inquiry.

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5. (amended) A method in accordance with Claim 1 wherein receiving information comprises the receiving data for at least one of a plurality of plants.

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12. (amended) A method in accordance with Claim 1 wherein providing information comprises:

displaying information on the client system identifying at least one of an option relating to at least one of a plurality of plants; and

receiving an inquiry from the client system regarding at least one of an option relating to at least one of a plurality of plants.

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18. (amended) A network-based system for managing inspection requirements, said system comprising:

a client system comprising a browser;

a data storage device for storing information;

a server system configured to be coupled to said client system and said database, said

server system further configured to

receive information relating to inspection of components of a specific plant;

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store the information into a centralized database;

update the centralized database based on the information received;

modify inspection requirements based upon inspection result information;

determine next required inspection of each plant component;

cross-reference the information received against the components; and

provide information in response to an inquiry.

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28. (amended) A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium for managing inspection requirements, said program comprising:

a code segment that receives information relating to components including inspection regulations and inspection results

a code segment that maintains a database by adding, deleting and updating information relating to components;

a code segment that generates inspection requirements based on the information relating to components;

a code segment that determines next required inspection of each plant component; and a code segment that provides information to be displayed on a user system.

Remarks

The Office Action dated November 6, 2002 has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 1-9 and 11-31 are pending in this application. Claims 1-31 stand rejected. Claim 10 has been cancelled.